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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Dear Commissioner:

Applicant submits this Amendment and Request for Reconsideration in response to the non-final Office Action mailed on November 14, 2008. The shortened statutory period for response is three months from the mailing date, i.e., by Tuesday, February 16, 2009, and thus, this response is timely. Please amend the above identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the **Listing of Claims** that begin on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks/Argument begin on page 14 of this paper.